

PREMATURE BURIALS.
A Common Occurrence in Paris Cemeteries.

Any impression that stories about the frequency of premature burials are due to imagination would be speedily dispelled by a conversation with those stonecutters and florists located outside the gates of almost every great metropolitan cemetery, as well as with the gardeners and gravediggers of the latter.

These men, especially those employed at the huge Parisian necropolis of Pere La Chaise, have vast experience in the matter. Not only are they present at the exhumations continually being made, either by private parties or by the authorities, but they also take part in or witness the digging up of what is known here as the "fosse commune," that is to say, that part of God's Acre where all the paupers are interred. Every five years the "fosse commune" is dug up, the bones being either stored away in the crypt of some church or else sold for use in the refining of sugar, and the "fosse commune" is then in a condition to receive for another period of five years a fresh army of pauper dead.

As a rule, these florists, stonecutters and gravediggers are exceedingly reticent. But there are times when they become exceedingly communicative, and then they relate weird tales of coffins which, on being opened, bear inside the traces of bleeding finger marks and of the scratches of desperate finger nails, of bodies that are distorted, instead of reposing on their backs, as when laid in their coffins, and of faces distorted by agony—the agony of a person who awakes from a lethargy of consciousness only to find himself enclosed in the narrow walls of a coffin beneath the ground.

The men do not like to talk about it, for it is a gruesome subject. Besides, could any such stories be traced to them by their employers, they would at once be discharged. They have, therefore, no reason to appeal to their imaginations, no cause to exaggerate, but rather the reverse, and the consequence is that the tales they tell may be regarded as below rather than above the truth.

Cases of premature burial are much more likely to happen in France, and, indeed, everywhere on the continent of Europe than in the United States, owing to the very stringent laws that prevail in the old world as to the speedy interment of the dead. Still, at the same time, these stories may serve to show that instances of premature burial are by no means so rare as doctors and undertakers would have the public believe.—N. Y. World.

GREAT MONEY SPENDERS.

Americans Are Prodigious in the Use of Wealth.

New Yorkers are wont to allege that nowhere else in America is the art of money spending so perfect. Without question there is no other spot which offers such variety of choices for putting forth money. All possible tastes can be gratified here with no trouble of search at all. Aims the most refined and modest, the most artistic, the most literary and scientific, the most altruistic and benevolent—all find in New York the best opportunity on the hemisphere. But it takes the strongest individuality to follow them. There is no other place where the finer aims are so easily undermined. There is a constant and bewildering assault upon them. Are they worth while? This is the city of fun and splendor. Only the stout heart refuses to be beguiled by the type set by the lavish money spenders. Boston and New England are different. A wider variety of money-spending types are in easy evidence. Glitter dominates less in proportion to other things. Money saving and thrifte are pretty important here. Education is always worth family self-denial. Families which in New York would spend their moderate income on high rents and carriage hire, in New England will prefer to spend it on modest trips abroad or in owning a suburban home. In short, it takes legerdemain to follow out one's individuality in Boston or in New York, simply because a wider assortment of money-spending types are set by the well to do. Philadelphia differs also in its way. Glitter counts little there. At night many wealthy ladies in fullest evening toilet still go in the street cars; opera nights make Broad street like a foyer as the richest gowns discard carriages and couples and scamper to the cars. The thrifty Quakers like to follow a type of saving cash into capital. Both Chicago and San Francisco are akin to New York in prodigality of money-spending. The same absorption in the idea of getting the largest amount of display and momentary pleasure prevails in both. Riches are esteemed for their power to produce splendor and to gratify the less cultivated whims. The great majority of the wealthy set the popular ideas by the spectacular ways in which they shovel out their fortunes. In both these cities we see New York's way carried further, though not refined by New York's imitativeness of the old world.—Illustrated American.

Strange Funeral Customs.
"Localities enter largely into death notices," remarked a funeral director in Pittsburgh. "Few people believe that a death notice is complete unless there is attached to it the line 'Friends of the family,' etc. 'Widow of the late' is also very popular. In Philadelphia, where there is always lots of spare time, they run to 'poetry.' St. Louis people give the names of nearly all the surviving relatives. In New Orleans there is an odd custom. There the death notices are tacked to telegraph poles in the business district where the deceased worked or was known and in the neighborhood of his home. They have printed blanks for this purpose, and the undertaker fills them in and has them nailed up."—Circular Clippings.

"When a person gets too dry to pop, it should be treated to a boiling hot bath, after which pop immediately."

What Is a Sailing Ship?
The average landsman may be surprised to hear that there is doubt as to what constitutes a sailing ship in the eye of the law. This question was raised in London the other day before a divisional court of admiralty. Mr. Commissioner Kerr held that a barge which had a jury up to assist the rowers was a sailing vessel, and held her in fault for a collision which occurred in Barking creek between her and a sailing barge, on the ground that she could and ought to have kept out of the way. Her owners appealed, and it was contended on their behalf that she could not reasonably be considered as a sailing vessel, because a vessel could only be a sailing vessel when it could comply with the rules laid down for sailing vessels, such as tacking to port and starboard. Besides, if she were a sailing vessel she would have to carry sidelights, and a canal barge with sidelights was a thing unheard of. The court did not think it necessary to decide this point, because the appellants' barge, having a motive power of two knots, could be kept out of the way by porting, and so dismissed the appeal with costs. The judges added that when the question of what was a sailing ship came to be decided it would have to be very carefully considered, as there were a number of important points to be determined.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Point of Information.
Brown—if you're a good boy I'll give you one of those nice books like you get in Sunday school.

Little Johnny—Sny, dad, what kind of a boy must I be to get a pair of skates?—N. Y. World.

How It Was Divided.
Mudge—Oh, yes, we had a real lively time, Simmons and I. It cost us nearly \$50.

Wickwire—Yes, I saw Simmons this morning, and he told me he spent \$45.—Indianapolis Journal.

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A colored tramp named Dike Andrews was shot in the hip by the night watchman of the Illinois Central railroad at Kankakee while trying to steal a ride to Chicago.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald"—Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vensel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Kroha.

The Kankakee Stone and Lime company have pumped out their quarry and will set their crusher to work next week. The Illinois Central takes all their output of crushed stone for ballast.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Kroha.

West Springfield is to have a new church. The congregation of Methodists which has been meeting there for some time has now organized with a membership of 115 and a Sunday school of 185.

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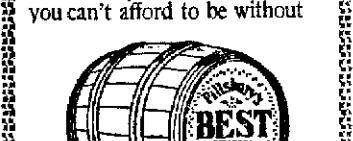
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LOCAL NEWS.

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If you are troubled with catarrh, asthma or headache, use the German medicator, a perfect cure. 10c—16-dwt

The College street chapel social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Love last night was well attended. April fool games afforded great amusement.

The best spring tonic for that tired feeling is DeSoto's Celery Nerve Tonic at West's drug store. 75c.—22-dwt

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:20 a.m.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. 25c—24-dwt

The Western Union telegraph messenger boys will soon appear in their new uniforms. The first fine day they will blossom in their new suits.

Little Diana cigar: business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodat's News House.—14-dwt

In the Garver estate there are about \$20,000 to divide among the heirs. There has been considerable litigation for several years. The costs will be about \$4000.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsmen fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-dwt

The Walter L. Main circus is booked to appear in Decatur on April 29. It has wintered at Geneva, O., and will show for the first time this season at Ashtabula, O., on April 17. This show has thirty cars.

Seed sweet potatoes, wholesale and retail, 923 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.

Manager Given has engaged Keller, the magician, to appear at the opera house next Christmas, matinee and night. Keller will give his big show that day and he will certainly pack the house from pit to dome.

Mary A. Purdee filed in the circuit court yesterday a bill for divorce from her husband, William Purdee. She declares they were married November 26, 1885, that he soon after began to abuse her and has been a drunkard and has committed adultery. Harry Passo is the attorney for the complainant.

Buy your flower and garden seeds at W. H. Gullett & Son's flower store. They keep the best. Plant your sweet peas early. Do it now, no delay. Stiff clay soil is best for them. W. H. Gullett & Son, McMillin Building.—50-dwt

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A meeting of the on education of the Decatur Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian church met in Decatur yesterday. Those present were Rev. A. G. Bergen of Mattoon, Rev. T. D. McDonald of Bethany and Rev. S. L. Keener of Boddy. They considered the course of study to be prescribed for candidates for their ministry and the raising of funds for carrying on their work.

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DECATUR VICTORIOUS.

The Home Team Defeats the Young Ladies from Bloomington at Basket Ball.

The basket ball game played in this city yesterday by the young ladies of Decatur and Bloomington resulted in a victory for the home team. The score was 9 to 4. Early in the season the Decatur girls went to Bloomington where they were handsomely entertained by the Bloomington team and yesterday they endeavored to repay the obligation. In spite of the fact that their opponents were their guests the Decatur girls played hard against them as they were especially anxious to beat on account of having been defeated at Bloomington.

The attendance was large, the Guard's armory where the contest took place, being crowded. There was rough playing and the game was free from any objectionable features but the young ladies on both sides fought their ground every inch of the way and exhibited a surprising amount of activity and alertness. The players, in fact, worked with all their might and seemed to enjoy themselves greatly. The spectators were quite enthusiastic and were quick to applaud when a good play was made. The Decatur girls had a yell which was given by their followers and this was always answered by a number of young men from the Wesleyan college who were among those from Bloomington in attendance at the game.

In the first half Decatur played toward the north goal. The ball went from one end of the hall to the other several times. Attempts were made by both sides to get the ball in the basket but they failed. After some play Miss Haeter threw a goal for Bloomington and Miss Leon Moore twice put the ball in the basket, making the score 4 to 2. Once the ball was given to Decatur on account of Bloomington's foul but Decatur failed to make the goal. Twice Decatur was given a point on account of a foul, making the score 6 to 2. During the first half the ball was most of the time near the Decatur goal.

In the beginning of the second half the ball went toward Decatur's goal and Miss Moore again put it in the basket. On a foul the ball went to Decatur but it was not put in the basket. The ball was then rapidly played from one end of the room to the other and attempts were made by both sides to score. When the ball was near the Bloomington goal one of the players, in attempting to throw it in the basket held the ball too long and it was given to Decatur. This gave the latter the privilege of a chance to throw it in the basket from the field and the play was successfully made by Miss Moore. A few moments before the end of the game Bloomington made another basket and when time was called the score was 9 to 4 in favor of Decatur.

The home team had some strong players in several places. Miss Madge Hays, who played center generally stopped the ball when it came her way and did good work rolling it on the floor. Miss Lena Ulrich stopped the ball well and Miss Leon Moore made a splendid record throwing the ball into the basket. The young ladies from Bloomington are well trained and did some remarkably good playing. Miss Haeter did good work and Miss Miller, who played guard was very skillful in stopping the ball. The game was umpired by Sidney Covington and A. L. Clark was the referee. The players and their positions were as follows:

Decatur Line-up:
Anne Roby—Center guard.
Jane Roby—Right guard.
Leona Moore—Center home.
Madge Hays—Left center.
Cordelia Williams—Center.
Kate Harwood—Right home.
Ida Voorhees—Left home.
Lena Ulrich—Right center.
Clara Greene—Left guard.

Substitutes—Myrtle Wheeler and Grace Hamber.

Bloomington Line-up:
Minnie Robinson—Center front.
Stella Heafer—Left front.
Lillian Arnold—Right front.
Minnie Mounts—Left center.

Flora Jones—Center.
Clara DeMotte—Right center.
Grace Mountz—Left guard.

Ollie Miller—Center guard.
Lizzie Fuller—Right guard.

Last evening the Decatur girls entertained the members of the Bloomington team at a euchre party at the Decatur club. The occasion was a pleasant one for the young ladies of both clubs and the game and entertainment was greatly enjoyed by the participants.

Busted.

More than 150 fire insurance companies discontinued business during 1896. A few reinsured but most of them are utterly bankrupt and their policies are worth no more than so much waste paper. We are convinced many such policies are held in this city and the holders are ignorant that the policies are absolutely worthless. We have just received the latest report of Mr. Durfee, the Insurance Superintendent of Illinois, showing the standing of all the companies authorized to do business in this state, and we believe it advisable for every policy holder of any company to bring same to our office and learn the standing of the company issuing the same. We will gladly furnish the information without charge. Please note that all companies represented by us are reported in excellent condition—we never represent any others.

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Why Not?

The fans of Jacksonville have not given up the idea of having a base ball team, even if they could not get into the Western Association. They are talking of organizing a semi-professional state league including Decatur, Springfield, Bloomington and Joliet.

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THE OPPOSITION.

Meeting of Citizens to Confer About Naming a Rival Ticket.

MASS MEETING TO BE HELD TO-NIGHT

Will Meet at Abbott's Hall—Preliminary Conference at J. C. Hosteler's Office—Names of Those Present—Committee.

DEAD IN A DOCTOR'S OFFICE.

An Unusual Case at Atwood—Mrs. Gadbury Buried Alive.

The Bement Register of this week contains a singular story of a fatality at the town of Atwood. The Register says: Mrs. James Gadbury died suddenly and the circumstances surrounding her death have caused a great talk and even excitement in that village. She had been in good health and had on the morning of her death put out a big washing at her house, six miles northwest of Atwood. With her husband she went to the office of Dr. Bonfield. The husband went out for a few minutes. When he came back the doctor told him that his wife had had a spasm and was then unconscious. He was then trying to revive her. He said she had said nothing after her husband went out but had fallen over as if in a faint. Finally he said that the husband had better call another doctor. Dr. Ridout was called and he said that the woman was dead and had been dead twenty minutes. The body was removed to the home of U. S. Garrett and the funeral set for 11 o'clock Friday morning. It was noticed that the body remained warm, the cheeks of a healthy color and the lips pink. This caused considerable comment all day. Friday, when the time came for moving the body to the church the women present raised the most strenuous objections and said that the funeral should not be held. It was then put off for one day. Up to Saturday a short time before the hour for the funeral the body was warm and there was no change in its appearance. There was much discussion among the people of the town as to whether or not the woman was really dead. Two doctors examined the body very carefully and said there was no doubt that life was extinct. This did not stop the talk and even after the funeral that day some expressed the fear, so it is said, that the woman was still alive. They fear that she was buried alive. The doctors explained the life-like appearance by saying that she was an unusually large and healthy woman and that there was an unusually slight change after death, but insist that there is no reason for the stories being circulated. An inquiry as to the cause of death, somewhat informal was held by Justice of the Peace J. W. Morris at Atwood and the doctors testified. They said death was caused by heart disease.

ILLINOIS BARBERS ORGANIZE.

Form a State Association at Their Convocation at Springfield.

The barbers' state convention Tuesday

permanently organized a state association and elected officers as follows: President, R. C. Hoy, Chicago; vice president, G. R. Roseman, Galesburg; W. A. Rice, Alton; C. A. Deck, Springfield; A. Lohne, Peoria, and Louis Stamm, Morton; secretary, O. C. Elighholz, Chicago treasurer, Henry Beach, Chicago. The next meeting will be held at Peoria on the first Monday in August.

Bought a Fair Ground.

C. W. Williams, the horseman, who is well known in this city and throughout central Illinois, has bought the grounds and property of the Galesburg Fair association where he has been quartering his famous stable of horses for three years.

It is understood that the cost of the land was \$19,000 to \$20,000, and that on Friday Mr. Williams turned over this much in cash. This clears away every incumbrance on the land. Under the terms of the contract Mr. Williams was given the option of the purchase of the track at the end of three years at the land valuation, and it is this of which he has availed himself.

Mr. Williams, it is understood, has decided on one large meeting this fall and it is likely that a summer meeting will also be given.

Lost His Property.

It is thought at Waynesville that Eddie Cook, whose trial for the murder of Minnie Bennett and her child of Marco will come up again at Havana in August, has been forced to sacrifice all or nearly all of his property in making his defense.

He had about 200 acres of land worth probably \$12,000, and this is said to be gone.

His mother, a widow, died about a year ago, her death being apparently hastened by this trouble. Though he had four brothers and sisters, the will left all the property to him, the black sheep of the family.

Base Ball Chat.

The Battle Ax club has reorganized for the coming season. Eddie Kennedy is the captain.

The Western Union telegraph boys will organize a club and play games with any boys of their age.

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—F. W. KIPP,
—GEORGE W. STOVY,
—J. H. RECORD.
Town Clerk—A. H. COPE.
Assessor—W. W. FOSTER.
Collector—ANDY H. MARTIN.
Justices of the Peace—GEORGE P. HARDY,
—O. W. SMITH,
—P. B. PROVOST,
—W. H. SHORB,
—JAMES O'MARA.
Constables—HARRY K. MIDKIFF,
—W. W. CONARD,
—T. L. ANTRIM,
—JOHN LLOYD,
—BUNN POST.
Commissioner—WILLIAM BUNDY.
Foundmaster—GREENBERRY MARTIN.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

City Election April 20, 1897.
Mayor—B. Z. TAYLOR.
Clerk—JOHN A. REEVE.
Attorney—JAMES M. LEE.
Treasurer—MONT PENIWELL.
Aldermen—First Ward, R. J. WAGY.
Second Ward, F. M. YOUNG.
Third Ward, JAMES KERFE.
Fourth Ward, ALBERT AMMANN.
Fifth Ward, J. W. KNOWLTON.
Sixth Ward, JOHN G. WATSON.
Seventh Ward, J. L. DRAKE.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, April 2.—Cloudy; local showers tonight and Saturday; fresh easterly winds.

The Secret of Moody's Power.
The Chicago Times-Herald: The tremendous crowds of all sorts and conditions of humanity that seek admission to Mr. Moody's meetings at the Auditorium furnish a marked illustration of the fact that the simple gospel, when presented by a man who understands the human heart, has not lost its power over the masses. The spectacle of a great audience of 13,000 souls, with 6000 on the outside clamoring for admittance drawn together by the power of a man who can sway thousands with a sermon on the "Ten Commandments," is one so unusual in these modern times of scholarly infidelity that it may well challenge the attention of those who sometimes ponder over the apparent decadence of religious zeal.

Mr. Moody's work is the triumph of the simple gospel over theology. The great evangelist depends for his success upon the power of the gospel, when properly presented, to reach the human heart and ultimately to exercise a controlling influence over human conduct. He proceeds upon the theory that a code of ethics upon which a safe society and a wise government can be built can only be established by reaching the human heart through the gracious admonitions and precepts of the Great Teacher. That the theory is a sound one is demonstrated by eighteen hundred years of human history and experience.

If human conduct can be controlled and a high standard of civilization maintained through any other instrumentality than the gospel, human philosophy and science have not yet furnished the scheme. The effort to make men good by legislation has proved a monumental failure. The best the law can do is to fix penalties and mark down the lines of restriction. It cannot regenerate the human heart, from which proceed all the impulses that finally express themselves in conduct.

Herds lie the secret of Moody's power. He does not stop by the wayside to parley with the scientific unbeliever. He knows that religion is not a matter of science. The emotions are not to be explained by mathematical laws—and yet love and hate and sorrow and gladness are all potential factors in our human conduct. Because Mr. Moody cannot understand why the same sunlight makes one rose pink and another one white does not make him an unbeliever. He knows that science can analyze the tear drop, but it cannot explain why it falls upon the coffin lid.

The efficacy of Christianity must be judged by its power to shape the conduct of men. Science is plausibly impotent in its efforts to provide a substitute for it. Human theology and scholasticism should not be allowed to obscure its beauty or weaken its power.

There was considerable doubt in the minds of many congressmen as to the constitutionality of the retroactive provision of the new tariff bill making it applicable to all goods imported after April 1, but the further the matter was investigated the greater were the number of believers in its constitutionality and perhaps a majority of the best lawyers in congress are now satisfied that it will stand the test of the courts. In any event it will put a check upon abnormal importations in anticipation of the increased duties.

Latest reports are to the effect that Weyler will at once order the Cuban general, Rivera, recently wounded and captured, to be shot. This is only another evidence that Spain has not learned how to govern and should not longer hold Cuba. If Rivera is shot it will anger the Cubans and will not strengthen the Spanish cause. On the other hand if Rivera were treated as a prisoner of war in charge of a civilized nation it would make friends for Spain even among the Cubans.

The new administration starts in well along the financial line. The first month shows a surplus in the treasury of \$9,000,000. This is a good showing considering the fact that the last month of Cleveland ended with a deficiency of \$4,900,000, but the present surplus is probably largely due to the threat of the new tariff which has stimulated importations under the lower duties of the Wilson bill.

The Turkish army confronting the Greek army on the frontier means that there will be few battles before the allied powers can "preserve the peace of Europe."

The tariff bill went through the house on time and had to the credit of protection five Democratic votes from the south, Texas and Louisiana.

The new tariff bill shuts out shoddy which was one of the articles imported under the Wilson bill to be manufactured into cloth for our people.

Evangelist Moody has lost none of his power and is holding thousands spellbound in Chicago to hear the story of the cross.

The State University and the Legislature.

On Friday, March 18, the State University was visited by the appropriation committee of the senate and house of representatives and by several senators and representatives. The morning was occupied by the visitors in inspecting the various departments of the university. In the afternoon there was an assembly of faculty and students in the chapel. Speeches were made by Senators Dunlap, Bogardus and Hull, and by Representatives Mentau, Allen, Perry and Marquis. Those members who visited the university for the first time seemed to be particularly impressed by the extent and quality of its work.

The feeling was very generally expressed that in spite of unfortunate conditions in the treasury, the needs of the university are too important to be neglected, that the honor of the state demands the building up of a state university at least equal in equipment and general efficiency to those of Minnesota, Wisconsin or Michigan.

Fred Warde.

The engagement of Frederick Warde at Powers Grand opera house on Saturday night in Damon & Pythias will be the first occasion that Banion's magnetoe play has been presented here with special scenic effects and will be a memorable one in the history of the play. The scenic features are: A public street in Syracuse, the senate chamber, garden of Damon's house and the execution scene in the last act.

Mr. Warde has played Damon more often than any other living actor and he excels in the character. The engagement on Saturday night promises to be a most prosperous one and the local lodges of Knights of Pythias will be largely in attendance.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros.' old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call. Feb 23-d&wif

Supt. Garrett's Office Force.

Superintendent W. A. Garrett of the Wabash railroad company has all of his furniture in place in the Bohon building and began business April first. The office force is W. F. McEvane, chief clerk; E. Selah, resident engineer, and J. D. Beach, A. M. Hunter, B. C. Cheney, Frank Marshall, M. R. Martin, C. B. Sanford, H. C. Ceall and Miss L. E. Stout, clerks. Several of the clerks have families.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds at the Spencer & Lehman Co. — Jan 20-d&wif

Married.

At his office by Justice Odor April 1, Charles Cavanaugh and Miss Anna M. Fry, both of Decatur.

T. M. C. A. Extra.

Baptist church Monday and Tuesday nights. Reserved seats at Curtis' Friday, 25c.—1dtw.

Decatur lawyers generally approve the act of the legislature in consolidating the Illinois supreme court, locating it at Springfield.

Next Sunday night Rev. D. R. MacGregor will begin a series of sermons to young men at the Baptist church.

There are fifty-seven prisoners confined in the Peoria work house, most of them engaged in making brooms.

PARKER & SON
SEWER PIPE.
TILE.
DECATUR, ILL.
CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

GROCER'S SOLILOQUY.

The old story
They threw samples about town
Loaded me up with goods
At less price than the genuine
Said could make more money
I bid and got bit,
Must work off the stock
To get my money out,
It grinds the 'tis
To tell an old customer
The imitation is "just as good"
Drives them away sometimes.
About 400 Cereal Coffees
Have sprung up all over
To imitate the original
Postum Cereal Food Coffee.

Every man out of a job
Thinks he can make it
Just brown some tie or Barley
And there you are
A "Cereal Coffee"
"Just as good as Postum"
Make pretty package
Sample the town
Load up the grocer
And drive on
A fortune for every fool
In four days.
Poop find out

All that kind of rubbish
Tastes flat and unpalatable
It took over a year
Of scientific experiment
To perfect Postum
The only original palatable
Pure Cereal Coffee
In existence.

When properly made it has
The color of Mocha
The taste of Java
The elements nature uses
To rebuild the gray matter
In the nerve cells.
Postum is a Hygienic
Pure liquid food
Tons or rubbish
Are sold to imitate it
But if customers would look
For red seals on packages and
Registered U. S. trade mark
They would secure the genuine.

Some good grocers' names
Get sunburned, when used
For "titles" paws" to take cheapskates
For some "just as good"
As Postum Cereal Food Coffee

Plain, sober common honesty
And genuine goods in stock
Is the safe way.

It might pay to throw
All that imitation away
A short sighted grocer will
Grind away on the counterfeits
Until his money is back.
A keen, clean grocer
Will sell only the genuine
And keep customers.

Feared He Would be Buried Alive.

Wabash, Ind., April 2.—A grown-up dead was performed at the National Soldiers' Home near Marion, when Dr. Charles H. Eckert, with a long and keen surgical needle, four times penetrated the heart of Charles Compton, who died Saturday of a clot of blood on the brain. The dead man's father had been buried alive and this fact so preyed upon Compton's mind that he lived in dread of meeting the same horrible fate. Years ago, when Compton was a wealthy property owner and Dr. Eckert a beginner as a medical practitioner in Fort Wayne, they two entered into an agreement that in case of Compton's death Eckert was to perform this terrible post-mortem service for him, that he might not have to undergo the awful tortures presumably suffered by his father in the grave.

Nearly Finished.

The patrol house opposite the courthouse is nearly finished and today the police who drive the wagon were practicing with the horses. The two stalls for the horses are situated behind the wagon. The same rope which rings the gong is also connected with a spring which opens the doors of the horse stalls. When the horses run out and stand in front of the wagon another rope manipulates the harness and lets it down on the horses' backs. A rope which is reached from the seat of the wagon opens the front doors. When everything is in working order the patrol can be brought out of the barn as quickly as the fire wagons. In the back part of the house is a room for the driver who sleeps there at night. The building is of brick and frame with cement floor.

Sales of Real Estate.

Lawrence Welsh to John J. Bradley, west half of the southwest quarter of section 8, also the east half of the southwest quarter of section 4, all in 14, 2, east, \$12,000.
Catharine L. Wood to Harry Shlauder, lots 1 and 2 in block 4 in Standard Mills first addition to Decatur.

Funeral of James Cochran.

The funeral of the late James Cochran was held this morning at 9 o'clock from the Catholic church at Niantic. The services were largely attended. The burial took place at the cemetery southwest of Niantic.

—Miss Olive Harpell will leave tonight for Covington, Ky., in response to a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of her sister, Mrs. Clark.

Marriage Licenses.

John Cavanaugh, Decatur, 22.
Anna Fry, Decatur, 19.

Buckley's Arsenic Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Irritations and positively cures Piles, or no pain required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

James Glick, a well-known blacksmith at Argenta, died at his home early Monday morning, aged about 40 years. His death was due to inflammatory rheumatism.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

SATURDAY...

Another Bargain Day for the Boys and Girls

At THE BIG STORE.**...GIRLS' REEFERS—Special for Saturday...**

The many cool, damp days of spring time make these little coats extra valuable. They protect without being cumbersome—and this year they are unusually cheap.

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR THESE GOODS.

A splendid little coat (2 to 6 years) made of light weight Ladies' Cloth, Reefer Front and Ripple Back, in Navy, Red and Tan, Saturday.....50c and 75c

50c Two-Piece Suits for Girls, neat spring mixtures and popular solid colors, for Saturday.....\$3.95

BOYS' CLOTHING--Unusual Chances.

Fit your boy out in a bright new suit for less money than you have ever paid before.
Boys' 2-piece Suits (4 to 14 years) in neat mixtures of staple colors—good serviceable suit like you pay \$1.50 for—Saturday.....95c
Boys' Grey Cheviot Pants (5 to 14 years) the 25c kind—Saturday, pair.....15c
Boys' Blue Overalls (4 to 14 years), Saturday, pair.....23c
Boys' 15c Golf Caps, Saturday.....9c
Boys' 50c Golf Caps, Saturday.....25c

HOSIERY QUOTATIONS.

Wonderful Values for Saturday in Children's Goods.

Children's Fast Black Seamless Hose, fine quality, all sizes, Saturday.....10c pair
Boys' Extra Heavy Bicycle Hose, regular price 25c, Saturday.....15c pair

...BOYS' FURNISHINGS...

Real Bargains here of such magnitude that economical mother will readily see that here is the place to buy.
BOYS' SHIRT WAISTS (4 to 12 years), made of Percale and Neat Prints, the 35c kind, for Saturday.....15c
BOYS' WINDSOR TIES in Pretty Plaids, Checks, Stripee, etc., good length, the 25c kind, for Saturday.....15c
BOYS' TECK TIES, all colors, in the very latest patterns, the 50c kind, for Saturday.....15c
BOYS' WINDSOR BOWS, the 35c kind, for Saturday.....15c
BOYS' EXTRA STRONG FRENCH WEB SUSPENDERS, all colors, Harriss Wire Buckle, the 25c kind, for Saturday 15c

Bargains for the big folks, but bigger bargains for the little ones Saturday at **THE BIG STORE**.

LINN AND SCRUGGS
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.
THE BIG STORE WATER, MAIN & STATE STREETS.

**HATS**

of all kinds, colors, shapes, and prices. NEW SPRING HATS that will fit both your head and purse.

The "Cuban" and "Geisha" two of the latest. Let us show them to you.

....FROM \$2.25 TO \$5.00....

This department of ours appeals particularly to mothers, and is entitled to their earnest consideration.

Millinery Display!**Our Exposition or**

Correct Styles in
Spring and
Summer Millinery,

TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH.

A cordial invitation
extended to all....

S. G. HATCH & BRO.

151 EAST MAIN ST.

March 29, 1897.

**New Novelties in****MEN'S SUITS.**

The RIGHT kind. Right in fit, in material, in style, in general make-up, but particularly right in PRICE. We are showing an exceedingly swell line of Spring Shirts and Neckwear. We will appreciate a call.

Y...
r the Boys and Girls
BIG STORE.

or Saturday...
these little coats extra
us—and this year they
SESE GOODS.
weight Ladies' Cloth,
and Tan, 50c and 75c
res and popular solid \$3.98



THING--Unusual Chances.
new suit for less money than you have ever
in neat mixtures of staple colors—good
1.50 for—Saturday..... 98c
years) the 25c kind—Saturday, pair..... 15c
, Saturday, pair..... 23c
..... 9c
..... 29c

OTATIONS.

Goods.

day..... 10c pair

18c pair

NISHINGS...

comical mother will readily see that here is

at Prints, the 3c kind, for Saturday..... 25c
good length, the 25c kind, for Saturday..... 15c
kind, for Saturday..... 25c

25c
prior. Harris Wire Buckle, the 25c kind, for Saturday, 15c

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**B. STINE CLOTHING
COMPANY.**

245-249 NORTH WATER STREET.
NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.....

Everything New, Fresh, and Up-to-Date.
**The Stewart
Dry Goods Co.**
...211 North Water Street...

SPECIALS...

FOR SATURDAY ONLY.—

TOPSY HOISERY SALE.

Ladies' Topsy fast black Hose, seamless,
with double heels and toes, instead of 12c, go for, a pair..... 8c

Ladies' 20c fast black Topy fast Hose, high
spiced heels, double soles and toes, seamless, for a pair..... 12c

Children's 10c heavy Ribbed
Hose, 5c

Boys' heavy ribbed Bicycle Hose, the
celebrated Topy fast black, in stead of 20c a pair, Saturday..... 12c

Men's 75c Mixed Hose, Saturday, a pair..... 3c

Men's 12c fine Mixed Hose, Saturday, a pair..... 8c

Men's fast black Topy Hose, seamless,
double heels and toes, worth 12c, Saturday, a pair..... 10c

For Saturday Only 39c.

Men's Unlaundered White Shirts, just
20 dozen: all linen very fine bosoms,
with double back and front, continuous
patient facings and stayings, Saturday, each..... 39c

Men's 10c Laundered Percale
Shirts, Saturday only..... 25c

ONLY 98c.

Ladies' Ready Made black brocaded
Dress Skirts, well made and bound with velvet..... 98c

Ladies' \$1.00 Black Brocaded
Silk Skirts for..... 539

Ladies' Black Moire Velour
Skirt for \$5.98 and..... \$7.98

FOR \$4.98.

Ladies' Black Brocaded Silk
Skirts, worth 87.50, Saturday..... 4.98

Ladies' \$1.00 Black Brocaded
Silk Skirts for..... 5.39

Ladies' Black Moire Velour
Skirt for \$5.98 and..... \$7.98

100% COTTON.

All New, Fresh, Bright Desirable Goods.

THE STEWART DRY GOODS CO.,

159 EAST MAIN ST.

**GEO. W. JONES CLOTHING
HOUSE**
for Spring Overcoats.

We have a few Spring Overcoats to close out. If you are in need of a coat we can do you good.

\$6.50 Spring Overcoat, \$4.00. | \$10.00 Spring Overcoat, \$6.50.

\$12.00 Spring Overcoat, \$7.50. | \$15.00 Spring Overcoat, \$8.50

SIZES 33 TO 44.

New Spring Suits

Have arrived—the most Fancy and Durable Clothing in the city at prices to suit all. Call and see this line.

George W. Jones Clothing House,
159 EAST MAIN ST.

**MILLINERY
DISPLAY.**

Visit our Spring MILLINERY Display while out shopping.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

PITH AND POINT.

—There is only one part of a man that feels better on Monday than it felt on Saturday, and that is his corns.—Atchison Globe.

—Teacher—"Give an example of the use of the word 'contagious'?" Popul—"Street cars are not contagious. They are hard to catch."—Boston Transcript.

—"De trouble 'bout er man's makin' a reg'lar practice o' findin' fault," said Uncle Eben, "is dat he gits mo' an' mo' expert in 'is business, de demand foh fo goods gits less an' less."—Washington Star.

—Gadsby—"I suspect they've got a baby up at Norris' house," Wadkins—"What makes you think that?" Gadsby—"Oh, nothing in particular; only I haven't heard him brag about his dog for a day or two."—Boston Transcript.

—Over Styx—"Socrates," said Solomon, "you are known as a wise man. What really did you know?" "Nothing," said Socrates. "And that, my dear Solomon, is my only reason for saying that I knew as much as you did."—Harper's Bazaar.

—The men-haters say that when a girl lights her parlor fire stated evenings, and curl's her hair, that she is going on a "wolf hunt." They claim that she is likely not to get anything in the round-up, and that if she does get anything, it will be as useless as a wolf."—Atchison Globe.

—The Doctor—"Mrs. Brown has sent for me to go and see her boy, and I must go at once." His Wife—"What is the matter with the boy?" "I don't know; but Mrs. Brown has a book on 'What to Do Before the Doctor Comes,' and I must hurry up before she does it."—Household Words.

—Flannigan—"I met a man last week, who, I bedid, I have sworn was yourself." O'Toole—"And wasn't it?" Flannigan—"Never a bit! But he was your very image, barlin' he was a trifle gray. I suppose, now, ye haven't such a thing as a twin brother a few years older than yourself!"—Tit-Bits.

A WOMAN'S LAUGHTER.

It is More Like a Child's Than a Man's.

Women do not, as a rule, laugh at jokes. They generally laugh to reward the teller of a good thing, and not for mirth at the thing told. In this way a woman fulfills a most definite duty, for she laughs even when the story does not come off well. Her laugh would not be so temperate or so punctual if it depended upon a sense of humor. It is somewhat between a child's laughter and a man's, but most like a child's. At almost every stage of his early years a child laughs for mere movement, and not for comedy or decision at all. A little humor there may be in the earlier sense of the word. Her laugh would not be so temperate or so punctual if it depended upon a sense of humor. It is somewhat between a child's laughter and a man's, but most like a child's. At almost every stage of his early years a child laughs for mere movement, and not for comedy or decision at all. A little humor there may be in the earlier sense of the word. 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Some Essentials to the Comfort of the Patient.

In arranging the sick bed the two essential things to be thought of are the comfort of the patient and, after that, the convenience of the nurse.

The bedstead should be firm, light and simple. If it is firm, it cannot be easily jarred; if it is light, it can be easily moved; and if it is simple, it can be easily kept clean. All these requirements are met in the plain iron bedstead, which has the additional advantage that its width and height are adapted both to the needs of the patient and the convenience of the nurse.

If the bedstead is light, it is better to have only the head-end provided with casters, otherwise the bed will move too easily. By lifting the foot end of the floor the bed can be moved and guided without causing the patient the least discomfort.

The mattress should be sufficiently soft and yielding to be perfectly comfortable for the patient, but not so yielding as to allow his body to sink into it. It is very difficult to make a sick person comfortable on a saggy mattress.

Feather beds should never be used in cases of sickness. They are uncomfortable for the patient, it is impossible to keep them clean, almost of necessity they keep the patient's body unnaturally warm and they are extremely inconvenient for the nurse.

To prevent the mattress from becoming soiled, a good-sized piece of waterproof material—preferably a rubber blanket—should be smoothly spread over it before the under sheet is put on. This sheet should be large enough to be securely tucked under the edges of the mattress, and the greatest care should be taken to smooth out all the creases.

The pillows should be thoroughly aired at least once a day, and whenever the pillow slip becomes soiled, or damp with perspiration, a clean one should be substituted.

Changing and shaking up the pillows when they have become hard and matted is a small service, but very refreshing to the patient.

The covering for the sick bed—other than the top sheet—should vary according to the temperature of the room, the nature of the sickness, the feelings of the patient and the season of the year. Whatever these conditions, the covering should be as light as is consistent with the comfort of the patient—youth's Companion.

PILOT FOR AN EMERGENCY.

Tells Examiners What He Would Do in a Tight Fix.

There was a party aboard the boat and the members were telling stories about civil service reform. Everybody had told of some preposterous questions excepting the old salt at the wheel. He had puffed his clay pipe in silence and listened. There was a moment or two of quiet after the last story, and the old salt spoke up. "Never heerd of 'civil service' regardin' th' pilotin' business, didja?" he demanded. "Never did," said two or three of the party.

"Well, we got it," said the old salt; "got it bad, too. You fellers been talkin' about fool questions, what d'ja think o' this here one that was asked me when I war up t' pass? They says t'me, they says:

"Now, assume there war a fog thicker'n any fog ther ever was;

"Never heerd a whiste on your port bow 'n' then you heerd a whiste on your starboard bow, 'n' then you heerd a whiste on your port quarter 'n'

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Two Lives Saved.
Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City Ill., was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida street, San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else than bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. At West's Drug Store.

Walter T. Swain, who served as ethnologist in the Arctic expedition headed by Lieut. R. E. Peary, U.S.A., is now a resident of Danville and is engaged in business there.

KIDNEY DISEASES are the most fatal of all diseases. Foley's Kidney Cure a guaranteed remedy or money refunded. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

H. J. and W. D. Smith of Danville, brothers, and each over 70 years of age, died this week and were buried in the same grave.

A Beacon of Hope
To those afflicted with Kidney or Bladder Diseases is Foley's Kidney Cure. Guaranteed. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The city of Peoria has erected a pesthouse near the workhouse. The smallpox suspects will be quarantined there on their arrival from New York.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Peoria is having a teachers' institute with an attendance of 243, under the lead of Prof. Robertson, assisted by eminent talent from Chicago and elsewhere.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A Life for 50c.
Many people have been cured of Kidney diseases by taking a 50c bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

James Gliket, a well-known blacksmith at Argenta, died at his home early Monday morning, aged about 40 years. His death was due to inflammatory rheumatism.

A Queer (?) Medicine.
There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

At the railroad station at Chebanse there is kept a complete file of the business done at the office since it was opened over 40 years ago. It is estimated that the books, papers, etc., weigh about five tons.

Have You Had the Grip?
If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to this disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The Peoria revenue district annually pays into the national treasury an immense sum of money. The highest amount was some years ago and approximated \$29,500,000, while the collections never go below \$13,000,000.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Preparations are being made for a full-dress walk and ball, to be given April 22 by the colored citizens of Clinton. The prizes will be a gold watch and the largest "angel cake" ever made in the state.

L. S. Cash died yesterday at Oakland. He was widely known, being for twenty-two years president of the Oakland national bank. He accumulated a large fortune, owning nearly 2000 acres of fine land at his death, besides considerable bank stock and other property. He was a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Chineen Eggs.
Boil slowly for 20 minutes six eggs. Remove the shells and cut the eggs into slices and put them on a dish at one side of the chafing dish. In the dish put one tablespoonful of butter and one of flour rubbed together, a gill of stock and one of milk; a tablespoonful of chopped parsley, half a teaspoonful of salt, quarter teaspoonful of pepper. When ready to serve light the lamp, stir until the sauce thickens, add eggs, and when steaming serve.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Shoe Dressing.
It is not generally known that where it is old and undesirable to use patent polish or old-fashioned blacking on fine shoes they can be wonderfully freshened with new milk. The milk should be lightly applied with a sponge and then allowed to dry, after which the shoe should be well polished with a flannel cloth. This is meant only for black kid, not for tan or russet shoes.—Chicago Tribune.

Dainty Cakes.
Two cupfuls of powdered sugar, one cupful of butter, one cupful of sweet milk and four eggs, the yolks and whites beaten separately; 2½ cupfuls of flour, half a cupful of cornstarch, two teaspoonsfuls of baking powder, half a teaspoonful of mace. Bake in small molds and ice all over.—N. Y. Ledger.

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The Cleveland has led all others in progressive cycle construction for the last five years.

Did you feel the wind blow? Kuny, Johns & Strohm write cyclone insurance. 124 North Main.—1-dim.

Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and head aches. Mar 16-dtf

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.

Remember we have both bulk and canned oysters daily by express until May 1st. Tel. 344. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.—81-dtf

Clark and Schroll have opened a real estate, land and insurance office in Room 23, Arcade building. All kinds of insurance written. Loans made, money solicited to place upon good city and farm property.—27-dtf

The Decatur fire department is often called upon to put out a fire, which they do with neatness and despatch. But they can't stop a cyclone. Kuny, Johns & Strohm write cyclone insurance. 124 North Water.—1-dim.

The art and literature division of the Woman's club will have their regular meeting at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon. This is a postponed meeting.

CYCLONE Insurance in first class companies. J. L. Drake, over P. O.

SECURED A JURY.

The Thomason \$5000 Damage Case Now on Trial in Court.

The \$5000 damage case of John R. Thomason, administrator, against the Wabash railroad company is now on trial in the circuit court. A jury was secured this morning as follows:

John DeFratus, Frank Keck, S. D. McLean, O. K. Gray, John Sanner, S. T. Nesbitt, Charles Gregory, A. W. Evans, Daniel W. Moore, Horace Pritchett, Otto Helmer and James Higby. The attorneys made their statements to the jury this forenoon. It will be recalled that Mr. Thomason's wife was accidentally killed by a Wabash train at the Water street crossing of the road. Thomason began a suit for \$5000 damages but on March 8, unknown to his counsel, he effected a settlement with the representatives of the Wabash, receiving \$800 cash as settlement in full. The parties who settled say that Thomason was sober and knew what he was doing and the effect of the act. They lay great stress on the fact that Thomason, while the money was being counted out, discovered that the sum was \$20 short. He protested and had the error corrected. On the other hand it is claimed that certain parties connived to get Thomason drunk to the end that they might bring about a settlement. Much evidence will be introduced on both sides. Lefforge & Lee and David Hutchinson represent the plaintiff and Judge Burnett of St. Louis and J. A. Buckingham the Wabash company.

DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI.

George Foster Home from a Steamer Trip to Memphis.

George Foster, son of Circuit Clerk Foster, arrived home last night after an absence of ten days, during which time he went to St. Louis on the river steamer, Belle of Memphis. There were 76 other sight-seeing passengers on the boat and they made the journey to Memphis and return. They saw nothing but water, water and distress all the way down the Mississippi. George says the accounts in the newspapers to the extent of the flood and the suffering are not overdrawn. Much more could be written. Going down the stream they passed a pair of mules standing on a small bit of ground that had not been submerged. On the return trip the mules were still on the patch of ground, head and ears down, slowly starving to death. No effort had been made to rescue them.

DIED IN HIS YOUTH.

Fred C. Depew Passed Away Death Last Night.

Last night at 10 45 o'clock Fred C. Depew, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Clay Depew, died of consumption at his home, 753 North Edward street in the 26th year of his age. The deceased was a native of Decatur, born June 23, 1877, and was graduated from the high school in 1894. He contracted a severe cold a year ago and ever since he had been in failing health. Last fall he went to Huntsville, Alabama, accompanied by his mother and remained there until a few weeks ago. Fred was a bright and promising young man who had scores of friends. He is survived by his parents two brothers and a sister.

MUSICAL CULTURE CLUB.

Meeting Held This Morning at the Home of Miss Jessie Montgomery.

The members of the Musical Culture club held a meeting this morning at the home of Miss Jessie Montgomery on West Prueva avenue. It was a Mozart morning, the selections being from that composer. The program as rendered was as follows:

Mozart—Turkish March, Misses Young and Raby

Paper—Mrs. Vail.

Wagner Listz—Introduction to 3rd act of Lohengrin, Miss Chisholm

Mozart—Das Veilchen, Mrs. Robert Mueller

Mozart—Symphony No 3 Adagio, Miss Cozad

Hodge—Bye, Baby, Oh Bye, the Misses Durfee

Mozart—Quartet, Misses Clark and Condell

The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. W. C. Armstrong on the evening of April 19. The members will invite their friends to attend.

CIVIL SERVICE PUPILS.

Result of the Examination Held in December Last.

W. L. Hancock of the Decatur post office, secretary of the local civil service board, has received the following report from the department at Washington on the examination of applicants held in Decatur December 5, 1896. The grades are given in the annexed statement.

Carriers—W. B. Woodford, 83 00; W. G. McCormick, 81 80; G. M. Robbie, 80 70;

L. Ryan, 79 48; A. T. Davis, 78 40; G. D. Slanker, 77 05; Ira Pettyjohn, 70 60;

C. S. Sammons, 66 50; O. O. Crane, 64 15;

S. N. Tuttle, 62 85; J. S. Sutton, 59 88;

A. R. Reynolds, 58 18; T. A. Moriarty, 57 70; A. H. McDonald, 55 65; C. H. Deatz, 45 48.

For Clerk—T. A. Funk, 92 55; W. E. Mann, 86 70; C. L. Davidson, 83 60; B. E. Bramble, 79 95; R. G. Hanks, 73 60; E. J. Smits, 66 30

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C. P. HUNTINGTON AGAIN.

Reported that He is in a Plan to Establish an Armor Plate Factory—

A Bad Fire in Chattanooga.

Potney, Eng., April 3.—The fifty-fourth annual boat race between Oxford and Cambridge over course Putney to Mark Lake, a distance of four and a quarter miles was rowed today and won by Oxford by two lengths. This gives Oxford eight consecutive victories and 31 out of 54 races rowed. Cambridge won the toss and chose the Middlesex side. At Dukehead Cambridge led slightly. Five furlongs from the start at Oxford it led by half a length. At a mile and a furlong Oxford led by three-quarters of a length. The wind freshened and was piercing cold. It was at the back of the crew the whole way, making the race very fast, giving promise that the record of time would be beaten which was especially due to the fact that Oxford in the trial two days ago covered the course in the record time of 19 minutes and 30 seconds. A mile and three furlongs from the start Oxford led a half length. At Dover a mile and seven furlongs there was no relative change, but Oxford was rowing 33 strokes to Cambridge 32, yet at Derbshire meadow Oxford led by to and a half lengths. Oxford finished two lengths in the lead—time 19 minutes and 12 seconds.

C. P. HUNTINGTON.

Contemplates Going into an Ordnance and Armor Plate Plant.

San Francisco, April 3.—C. P. Huntington said, touching the dispatch to the effect that a company of American and English capitalists were to join him in establishing a large ordnance and armor plate factory at his ship building yards at Newport News, that Armstrong, the great English gun manufacturer, desired him to join in such a scheme. He said he was in no hurry to push the matter, but if a company is formed for that purpose he will probably put some money into it.

Fire in Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 3.—The big building, the largest in the city was burned between 8 and 8 this morning. The fire started from the furnace.

The building was a mass of flames when the department arrived. A number of gentlemen sleeping on the sixth floor managed to escape, except Boyd Fawcett, one of the wealthiest men in the section and S. M. Patton, one of the most prominent architects in the south. Fawcett fell from the fire escape and was killed. Patton's body is still in the ruins. About 100 offices were in the four upper stories in the building. The loss is \$40,000.

SPANIARDS RETREATED.

Federal Forces Defeated in Matanzas—Dissolve Whigs the Enemy.

Key West, Fla., April 3.—There has been a strong engagement at Matanzas, Cuba, between the forces of the Church of God and those of the Spanish army. The insurgents under command of Mr. W. F. Fitz, corner North Franklin and Cerro Gordo streets, last evening. There was a good attendance and a good time.

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CONSOLIDATION.

The Supreme Court Consolidation Bill Passes the House

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SPRINGFIELD THE LUCKY CITY.

Ottawa is Angry Over the Result—Mt.

Vernon Makes No Complaint—

It is a Good Thing
However.

Springfield, Ill., April 2.—Supreme court consolidation is now an established fact. The consolidation bill as amended by the senate in favor of Springfield was accepted yesterday by the house with practical unanimity.

There is great rejoicing here over the report and the telegrams poured in from lawyers from all parts of the state congratulating the legislators on their triumph for consolidation.

The bill with the amendment naming Springfield instead of Ottawa for the permanent location passed the senate without opposition. It was then rushed over to the house and passed by a vote of 114 to 21.

All attempts heretofore made to locate have excited much opposition, and created some bitterness on the part of the people of interested localities, hence citizens of Springfield held aloof from the controversy this time, and made no organized effort to secure the passage of the bill.

The scaling was, of course, quite general that the court ought to be permanently located and that it ought to be at the capital, but the locating bill was not a Springfield measure and was put through the legislature mainly by the efforts of senators and representatives from other parts of the state.

The following telegram was received from Ottawa:

Ottawa is greatly angered over the defeat of the supreme court bill in the legislature. It had been promised to the Ottawa delegation by members of the senate to the number of thirty that they would vote for Ottawa on the second reading of the bill yesterday, but it seems that the hand of Governor Tanner had in the meantime been raised against Ottawa and the result proved that his power in the senate is almost supreme.

Ottawa sought to defeat the bill in the house but found the influence of the governor present there also. It is considered here that the action of Governor Tanner proves from his antipathy to the Hopkins men, headed by Appellate Clerk Dury, who opposed him in the last campaign.

Mr. Vernon telegraphed as follows:

Mount Vernon, Ill., April 2.—While citizens of this place regret the loss of the supreme court, they have realized for several years that it was only a matter of time when consolidation would be effected. The pecuniary loss to the city will be small as the appellate court for this district still meets here and brings more business than the supreme court.

The terms upon which the transfer of the ground was made upon which the court house is erected will cause a reversal to the Casey heirs, as it was decided simply for supreme court purposes.

The retention of the appellate court will keep the library, which is one of the best in the state, at this point and that is worth a great deal to the southern Illinois bar.

The Bill Signed.

Springfield, Ill., April 2.—Governor Tanner this morning signed the bill consolidating the supreme court at Springfield.

CONTEMPT FOR THE CONCERT.

General Disgust Expressed in the British Press—Greece Encouraged.

London, April 2.—(Press Publishing Company).—The most significant feature of the Crete situation at least so far as Great Britain is concerned, is the continued fence the London Times gives to its special correspondents, both at Athens and on the frontier to denounce the policy of the concert of Europe. Government even though the Times is, it gives its most conspicuous place this morning to such expressions from its Athens correspondents as these:

"The concert of Europe is rapidly falling into contempt. The pillaging of the property of the Christians in Crete apparently goes on unchecked, and bands of Bash Bazouks continue to make predatory excursions. The exasperation among the insurgents is increasing and the powers are now regarded by them as allies of Turks. Six or eight weeks ago a force of marines from the fleet might have traveled across the island without molestation, but that is not the case now. Let us from Crete state that the insurgents

have come to regard the European troops with the same hatred as the Turks and it is certain that so long as the Turkish army remains this feeling will increase."

The correspondent practically urges that the only reasonable solution of the question is, after all, a mandate to Greece to restore order.

The London Chronicle, discussing the proposed blockade of Athens, goes so far this morning as to say:

"The powers, including England, have made war inevitable. In war Greece must take her chance. She will face her fate as bravely, as honorably as she has faced the bullying of Europe and the blackguardism of the chancellors; but the people of England must, at least for shame's sake, see that she is handicapped by no blockade."

Several correspondents this morning intimate that all the admirals, except the Russian admiral, have come to be disgusted with their orders but since the public rebuke in parliament to the British admiral the other day for writing to the Times they naturally are reticent about discussing the situation.

HELIOPHOTOGRAPHED TO KING GEORGE.

Vassos Makes a Report and Fights It With a Protest.

Athens, April 2.—Colonel Vassos, commander of the Greek forces in Crete, has heliographed the following message to King George:

"Contrary to their promises the admirals have permitted bands of armed Mussulmans at Candamo to pillage and burn houses outside the town, while every act of defense on the part of the Christians provokes bombardment by the foreign war ships. The admirals send their government false dispatches declaring that I am guilty of cruelty, that I have massacred the prisoners taken at Malaxa, and that, despite my solemn declaration to the contrary I intend to attack Canea. I shall address to the admirals an energetic protest."

Vassos Sends His Protest.

Canea, April 2.—Colonel Vassos, in pursuance of the promise made in his heliograph message to King George, has sent a strongly worded protest to the admirals. He charges the representatives of the powers with violating the pledge that Mussulmans released at Candamo and disarmed should not be allowed to attack the Christians again. He condemns the shelling of Cretans by the foreign fleets and appeals to the people of Europe to end the present policy, which, he says, is fraught with untold horrors and threatens the entire population of the island army, is suing for peace.

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PROF. INGLIS STRICKEN.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Sacked with Appoxyle.

Springfield, Ill., April 2.—A telegram was received here yesterday from Milledgeville, Whiteside county, stating that Samuel M. Inglis, state superintendent of public instruction, had been stricken with a paralytic stroke of apoplexy and for his wife to come at once. Professor Inglis was attending the county teachers' institute.

CAPT. SOMERVILLE INSTALLED.

New Superintendent of the Quincy Soldier's Home Takes Up the Reins.

Quincy, Ill., April 2.—The new board of trustees of the soldiers' home—Colonel Sexton of Chicago, Captain Niles of Sterling and W. O. Wright of Freeport—met yesterday and installed Captain William Somerville of Quincy as the superintendent of the institution. There are many applicants for all the positions at the home, but the only appointment made to-day was that of surgeon, which went to Dr. R. H. Jones of Clay county.

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Jealousy Causes a Tragedy.

Lexington, Ky., April 2.—News from Hyden, Leslie county, is to the effect that Tom Oglethorpe, a prosperous farmer, accused his wife of intimacy with Henry Snyder, a farm hand, and the wife left him. Oglethorpe then hunted up Snyder and shot and killed him and then killed himself.

Cabinet Meeting.

Washington, April 2.—The cabinet today spent most of the time considering the matter of the twenty-one forest reservations ordered by Cleveland shortly before the close of his administration. The games by a score of 4 to 3 with two ties.

Insurgents Defeated.

Monte Video, Uruguay, April 2.—The national troops defeated the insurgents with heavy loss today.

WERE HUNG TO-DAY. AN OFFICE HORROR.

Four Murderers in New Mexico Pay the Penalty for Their Crime.

AUSTRIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

Report that a Body of Cubans were Defeated—A Terrific Explosion in Pennsylvania in Which No Lives were Lost.

SANTA FE, N. M., April 2.—Francisco Gonzales, Y. Borrego, Antonio Gonzales, Y. Borrego, Sauriano Alarid and Patricio Valencia, condemned to death for the murder of ex-Sheriff Frank Chavez, who was killed from ambush the night of May 30, 1892, were hanged together on one scaffold this morning. The men executed belonged to a political gang who stopped at nothing for the accomplishment of their purpose. Chavez met death while endeavoring to bring them to punishment. The date of the execution had been several times postponed by the president of the United States.

All four were hanged together, taking a six foot drop through one trap. The prisoners passed a restful night, the guards saying that not one even turned in his sleep. The death warrant was read at 7:30 and was received by the doomed men facetiously. On the scaffold none showed the slightest weakness. They made no statement except a request that the sheriff does not fail to remove all traces of the cause of death before the bodies are turned over to the families. Their necks were all broken except Valencia, who died of strangulation. The funeral will take place Sunday from the Cathedral.

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Two Pardons by Tanner.

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"A careful examination of the facts show that the value of the horse taken was insignificant, so small that had the crime been other than horse stealing he would have been convicted of no greater offense than petit larceny. The presiding judge believed the sentence imposed was unduly severe, and strongly recommended the

pardon. He is joined by the states attorney and others, also the man from whom the animal was stolen. In view of these facts, the pardon is granted."

Governor Tanner has also pardoned Mordecai Baker out of the Chester prison, to which he was sent from Effingham county in March, 1